



Metro Vancouver – Join us in our commitment to provide services and solutions to one of the world's most livable regions. We deliver service excellence in the areas of regional growth planning, air quality, water, liquid and solid waste management, regional parks, affordable housing, and community engagement to over 2.4 million residents. We invite you to bring your skills, passion, and expertise to help us in our commitment to sustain and enhance our region's livability. We offer competitive salaries; excellent benefit packages; a municipal pension plan; employee wellness programs; and varied opportunities for professional growth and development. *Our Legal and Legislative Services Department is currently seeking a:*

Permitting and Enforcement Officer

(Auxiliary – 2 days per week)
(This position is to last not later than 1 year)

This is a challenging technical and environmental regulatory position involved in developing legal requirements, prosecuting, and promoting compliance with those requirements for management of solid waste and recyclable materials, air emissions, and liquid waste discharges to the GVS&DD sewer system, according to applicable Metro Vancouver and GVS&DD bylaws. Responsibilities for the current posting will focus primarily on liquid waste regulatory issues.

DUTIES:

Investigates solid waste management facilities within Metro Vancouver; negotiates and drafts licences and reports recommending conditions and compliance criteria based upon legal requirements and guidelines, industry standards, control technology and the particular circumstances of the specific site; obtains licence holder's understanding of and agreement to license requirements and monthly fees, if applicable.

Negotiates and drafts air permits and related technical reports; recommends contaminant levels and compliance criteria based upon legal requirements and guidelines, industry standards, control technology and the particular circumstances of the permitted industry; obtains permittee's understanding of and seeks agreement to permit requirements; and prepares annual fee assessments for permitted facilities.

Investigates industrial liquid waste discharges to the GVS&DD sewer system; prepares reports; negotiates and drafts permits establishing maximum limits and criteria for a wide variety of effluent parameters; investigates and reports industrial sources for unusual Wastewater Treatment Plant upsets or events; inspects, assesses and determines acceptability to Wastewater Treatment Plants of liquid waste to be discharged from commercial and industrial septic and holding tanks; establishes and obtains specific industry agreement for the upgrading of effluent treatment systems; determines need for and assists with the collection of representative waste water samples for analysis by laboratory.

Determines and discusses violations and compliance requirements with violators, drafts letters and notices of violation to secure control of unauthorized sources. Gathers evidence and provides testimony in prosecutions under applicable legislation.

Inspects industrial facilities in relation to the Metro Vancouver's environmental regulatory bylaws for solid waste management, air quality, and sewer use, relevant requirements of the BC Environmental Management Act; assesses contaminants generated, processes and performance levels, compliance with permit restrictions or needs for permitting/licensing; writes site inspection reports.

Discusses, educates, promotes compliance and provides technical assistance to obtain cooperation of industries and the public to resolve discharge problems.

Answers air quality complaints from the public, determines nature and extent of problem and amount of investigation required, investigates and collects information, prepares reply letters.

Provides support and assistance to the Sampling Technician during compliance tests by assembling equipment, observing plant operation during the tests and ensuring tests are conducted under typical plant operating conditions.

Prepares and maintains related files, reports and documentation; prepares site plans and maintains databases.

Performs assigned special projects and participates in procedure development projects. Attends related meetings, seminars and conferences to maintain knowledge level related to current developments.

REQUIREMENTS:

Completion of a diploma from a recognized Institute of Technology with emphasis on chemistry and pollution control. Sound (3-5 years) related and varied environmental regulatory/industrial experience OR an equivalent combination of training and experience.

Membership or eligibility for membership as an Applied Science Technologist with the Applied Science Technologists and Technicians of BC.

Thorough knowledge of legislation and regulations governing the work (for example BC Environmental Management Act and Metro Vancouver regulatory bylaws in air quality management, sewer use, and solid waste management).

Considerable knowledge of current sewer discharge and air emission control and prevention methods and equipment, and of solid waste management methods.

Ability to obtain the cooperation of industries and public through education, discussion, guidance and persuasion and to answer, investigate and resolve air quality complaints from the public.

Ability to conduct investigations, collect evidence, prepare prosecutorial briefs, establish contaminant levels and compliance criteria, and prepare solid waste licences, air permits, and liquid waste permits.

Good interpersonal and conflict resolution skills; ability to deal tactfully and sensitively with a variety of situations and work with representatives of the private sector, other government agencies, and the public to reduce emissions and resolve related complaints.

Ability to inspect a wide variety of industrial plants and sites, monitor emissions, enforce legislative requirements, collect evidence and testify in prosecutions.

Good written and oral communication skills. Demonstrated ability to write clear, concise and accurate reports.

Proficiency in word processing, spreadsheets, email and database applications.

Valid Class 5 B.C. Driver's License.

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While we greatly appreciate all the replies we receive, regretfully only those selected for an interview will be contacted.